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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re App : Lakjaya Buluwela et al : February 9, 2006

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Filed : June 10, 2002 : Examiner Jane J. Zara

For : CONTROL OF GENE EXPRESSION

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to a non-final Official Office Action dated August 9, 2005. This Action carried a shortened-statutory period for response of three months so that a reply was due on November 9, 2005. A Petition for an Extension of Time of three months is being submitted with this paper together with the required fee to extend that period until February 9, 2006.

The Examiner is requested to enter and consider the Amendments, remarks and other materials being submitted at this time.